(c) if so, by when the sanction and necessary funds are likely to be issued/released?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI MUNI LALL): (a) to (c) The ESI Corporation has already installed DG sets in ESI Hospitals at Ujjain & Gwalior. The question of installing DG sets at Indore, Bhopal & Devas is under process.

No proposals for purchase of equipments pertaining to the year 2000-2001 has been received from Govt. of Madhya Pradesh. However, a proposal under Action Plan 1999-2000 has been received from Government of Madhya Pradesh. The details of the proposal have been called for from Government of Madhya Pradesh and will be processed on its receipt.

Central Manpower Export Promotion Council

1930. SHRI RAMACHANDRA KHUNTIA: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to constitute a Central Manpower Export Promotion Council;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the fresh steps taken to project manpower services that India can offer in major labour markets abroad?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI MUNI LALL): (a) to (d) The proposal to set up the Central Manpower Export Promotion Council is under consideration of the Government.

Working Population and EPFO Schemes

1931. SHRI K.M. SAIFULLAH: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) the country's working population and the number thereof covered under the Employees Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) Schemes; and